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## PETITION TO RESET A PERIOD FOR REPLY DUE TO LATE RECEIPT OF AN OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Petition Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Date: March 16, 2004

Sir

An Office Action issued in the above-identified matter on September 17. 2003. Although the mailing date of the Office Action is September 17, 2003, Applicant's representative never received the Office Action. On February 27, 2004, while reviewing the Office's PAIR system and the undersigned's own docketing system (see attached docket report which would list the present case as being due if the Office Action had been received), the undersigned's docketing paralegal discovered that an Office Action had issued in this case, but was not received. The undersigned immediately contacted the Examiner who faxed a courtesy copy of the Office Action to the Undersgined. Out of an abundance of caution, Applicant hereby pays for a three month late fee in conjunction with filing this Response, but requests a refund for the amount of the late fee (i.e., \$950). The basis for the refund request is that the Applicant could not have filed the Response earlier than in the sixth month because Applicant never received the Office Action until the six month time period had almost expired.

A Response to Office Action, a Petition for 3-month Extension of Time, and authorization to charge \$950.00 to Deposit Account 08-2025 of Hewlett-Packard

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Company, Fort Collins, Colorado, are being submitted in this matter via fax on the date of this Petition.

Pursuant to MPEP 710.06, Applicants request that the Commissioner reset the period for reply to the Office Action dated September 17, 2003, and that the Commissioner refund the \$950.00 overpayment to deposit account 08-2025. If a petition fee is due as a result of filing this request, please charge such amount to the same deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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